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SUBJ: SATISFYING TURKISH COMMUNICATIONS REQUIREMENTS

REF: (A) USNATO 3238 (B) ANKARA 4322

1. EMB HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO EARLY OFFER OF U.S. COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES TO TURKS ALONG LINES DISCUSSED REF (B) BECAUSE THESE ARRANGEMENTS DO NOT GO BEYOND GOT REQUEST TO NATO AND WOULD NOT SEEM TO PREEMPT POSSIBILITY OF LATER GESTURE LINKED TO SAFEGUARDING INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION OR OTHER KEY U.S. INSTALLATIONS HERE.

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2. WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT USNATO ALSO CONSIDER OFFERING

AT THIS TIME A SATELLITE TIE BETWEEN THE DIYARBAKIR ASOC AND THE SHAPE SOC. THIS WAS PART OF ORIGINAL GOT REQUEST AND COULD BE PROVIDED THROUGH THE USAF GROUND STATION AT PIRINCILIK CDI. AN OFFER OF THIS NATURE COULD GUIDE GOT AWAY FROM ANY PLANS TO CLOSE THIS FACILITY.

3. WE BELIEVE GOT INTEREST IN DIRECT SATELLITE LINK TO EUROPE AND AMERICA EXTENDS WELL BEYOND REQUEST MADE TO NATO AND COULD HELP US TO FEND OFF POSSIBLE UNILATERAL TURK ACTION AGAINST U.S. INSTALLATIONS (IN EVENT OF PROLONGED U.S. ARMS EMBARGO) OR TO OBTAIN DESIRED GOALS IN RENEWED NEGOTIATIONS (IN EVENT OF LIFTING OF CONGRESSIONAL RESTRICTIONS). WE, THEREFORE, HOPE DISCREET EXPLORATION MIGHT BE MADE (PER REF "B") OF POSSIBILITY OF PROVIDING TURKS CHANNEL ON NEW SATCOM FACILITY AT ELMADAG OR SINOP SHOULD THIS APPEAR DESIRABLE IN FUTURE.
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